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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED August 25, 2004

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in light of the remarks below.

As the three-month shortened statutory period for reply was due November 25, 2004, Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time, with the appropriate fee, to extend the period of reply to December 25, 2004. Therefore, this Response is considered timely filed.

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